Plan to Modernise the Telephone Exchanges in Tamil Nadu

1512. SHRI PASUMPON THA. KIRUTTINAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any perspective plan to modernise the telephone exchanges in Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the details thereof together with the total cost involved; and

(c) the names of the places where these exchanges are likely to be modernised ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESH-WAR MISHRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Plans to modernise the tele phone exchanges in Tamil Nadu during the 8th Plan period are:

(i) Majority of switching systems to be added during the plan period to be electronic type.

(ii) Replacement of all manual exchanges by modern exchanges.

(iii) Replacement of worn out and life expired electromechanical exchanges by electronic exchanges. A total outlay of Rs. 3085 crores tentatively has been proposed for all Telecom Systems in Tamil Nadu for 8th plan period.

(c) There are only 25 manual exchanges left in Tamil Nadu as per Statement (enclosed), which are proposed to be automatised during 8th plan period.

In addition, electo-mechanical auto exchanges which are worn out and unserviceable and life-expired are planned to be replaced by electronic equipment subject tc availability of resources.

Statement

List of Manual Exchanges in Tamil Nadu to be Modernised during 8th plan period.

SI. No.	Name of the Exchange
1	COONOOR
2	KTJNDHABRIDGE
3	CUDDALORE
4	K ATTUM ANNA RKOIL
5	KURUNJIPADI
6	TITAGUDI
7	ULUNDURPET
8	KRISHNAGIRI
9	PALACODE
10	ANTHIYUR
11	KODUMUDI
12	*CHETTINAD
13	SINGAMPUNER1
14	ODDANCHATRAM
15	ADIRAMAPATTINAM
16	KOOTHANALLUR
17	MUTHUPET
18	PATTUKOTTAI
19	PERAVURANI
20	ARIYALUR
21	PONNAMARAVATHI
22	GUDIYATHAM
23	POLTJR
24	TIRUPATHUR
25	WANDIWASH